

## COUNTY NEWS.

### Tonics Items.

The social at J. W. Suedaker's on Tuesday evening was well attended and all had a good time.

Measles—"Dutch measles." Yes, they have been with us several weeks, and Aunt Sally W. says they will stay till the moon is on the decrease again.

Oats are sown as a general thing, and those who have not are at it.

Plowing for corn planting is about over and the boys shiver a little in the cold morning air. Won't shiver in cultivating time.

Rev. Shaffer closes his ministry here Sunday evening. No arrangement having been made for his retention here, he will depart unless reappointed.

Alex. Kisselbach, who removed from here about eight years ago, died in Shelby, Neb., the other day, aged 35 years. He once owned the Hoffman farm, and was quite popular.

Granville Perry is now a resident of Woodstock, Conn., the guest of his sister Mrs. Anna J. Sumner. Perry is too well known to leave a vacancy in our social sphere, and regret follows his departure.

Mrs. R. H. Johns of Peoria, is the guest of her mother Mrs. Patten.

Thos. Johns is very popular in Tonica society.

Dr. Stockwell was in town this week.

### Lost and Found.

Alex. Keiso was appointed Treasurer of the board of highway commissioners at their last meeting.

Now is the song of the plow and the merry chirrup of the blacksnake whip abroad in the atmospheric confines, and the chipmunk and the robin sport in the finches of the woodland.

Miss Clara Goheen has taken charge of the Fiske school.

We pulled 75 votes at the village election. The license people got in and won "go dry" for some time now. The successful ones are: Pres W. F. Wiley, and Trustees, A. B. Riddle, Robt. Schoenboer and Jos. G. Hannum. C. P. Adams was elected clerk.

The home talent at the "Rebecca," shows more than usual adaptiveness to vocal work and should be encouraged.

### Garfield Localities.

Mr. J. J. Case of Wenona, has gone on a business trip to Chicago this week.

Mr. Daniel Stewart of Streator, is spending a few days with his parents this week.

John Stronker is running a steam mill in our city. Any one wanting grinding done can call on him as he is doing good business.

J. D. Stewart is still running the warehouse and shipping grain.

Farmers in this part of the country are done sowing oats, and are now plowing for corn. Oats look well.

E. J. Allen is now an agent in the fruit tree business.

School began on Monday, Miss Katie Pidgeon is again in charge.

Last Saturday was our school election. Charles Forman was running for director, he was elected by a few votes. "Nobody run against him."

### Grand Rapids.

Some of the farmers are planting corn, but the early birds catch both the worms and cold. This time George Parker has completed cutting willows.

James Graham has got a new buggy. All the schools are open but Prospect Hill W. F. Neely has bought two New Foundland dogs. Are you going to trot them on your new track?

Miss Maggie Porter is here teaching at the Oxford school.

J. J. Graham is seen going south now a days.

The commissioners of this town are howling because young men hold the office of school director; but those men want the office next spring.

The statement of "Next," in the Free Trader was true about W. G. Trumbo being the best farmer, but Cycolone thinks there are other good farmers in the town, lots of them.

Sim Graves is seen once a week in full dress driving a fine coach horse.

Edward McTear is seen going as far east as Mr. Isaac Mike.

Mr. Thos. Swartz died on last Friday and was buried on last Sunday, in St. Vincent cemetery at Ottawa. A wife and 6 children survive him.

### Earlville Entries.

If you happen to have a bill against the town present it on the Friday preceding the first Saturday of each month.

The Wallace House has been improved wonderfully of late, and is now a credit to the town.

Hon. Charles M. Smith seems to have no trouble in disposing of the get of Alroy. He sold Aldrich, a weanling, the other day, to go to Kansas, for \$200.

Stephen Hicks, who was ill last week with malarial fever, is improving at last report.

Dr. Fred Wiley has taken up his tent pole and moved to Freedom, where he has purchased Dr. Fogg's practice. Now that the fog has evaporated, I dodged it—I wish Fred all possible success, and can commend him as a steady, straightforward young man whose medical skill can be depended upon.

Fire destroyed Mr. Mead's barn and ice house, and the barns belonging to H. P. Wattles and A. H. Davis on Wednesday of last week. Mr. Mead and Mr. Davis are poor men, and were given a purse of \$200.

### Leland's Ledger.

We have license.

strangers in the town the last few days visiting friends. We hope they will carry away good impressions. At any rate the "city fathers" have begun work on the streets, etc., using the money paid in for liquor licenses.

The farmers complain of a backward season, and a scarcity of feed. Grass ought to be here now, but it is not, and feeding of stock still continues.

### Galloway Items.

A number of new carts are to be seen in our neighborhood this spring.

Chas. Adams put in ten acres of oats on the Bricker farm. He will also work Jake Wellman's farm this year.

J. A. Lock has been sowing timothy seed the past few days.

The roads are excellent, and a great many teams are seen passing.

Samuel Patterson was unanimously re-elected school director, in his district.

There was a fox chase at Kagle's the other day. Bill Myers, who had caught the fox, turned it loose west of the town and the boys, with their dogs, started after it. The result was a big chase and lots of fun.

J. W. Fetzer put his Herefords in Mr. Grunther's pasture, Saturday.

Mrs. J. Elliott spent Friday with her sister, Mrs. Wm. Elsworth of Deer Park.

The following officers were elected by the North Bond Sunday school last Sunday: Superintendent, C. O. Long; Asst. Superintendent, Rev. Keimond; Secretary, and Treasurer, Miss Florence Bridges; Chorister, L. L. Colwell; Organist, Mrs. Arthur Elliott.

There is soon to be a wedding in our neighborhood. Names can not be given at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Deldrich have moved. They now occupy the west wing of Chas. Halcott's house, and will remain there until Theodore gets his crop in.

The horse driven by the Williams boy, Sunday afternoon, became frightened and ran away. He finally brought up in the school yard, where he was secured by the owner and taken home. No one was hurt.

Little Billy Halcott, who has been very sick with congestion of the lungs, is much better this week.

There was preaching at the Patterson school house Thursday evening. A fair attendance.

### For Revenge.

Mrs. John Deere, wife of a La Salle coal miner, was detected in the act of setting fire to the building owned by Pat Hanley and occupied by the Revolution Store at that place, on Monday night, between 10 and 11 o'clock p.m. She was bare footed and in a semi-nude condition, and said she had smelled fire and arose from bed to extinguish it, and finding it back of Hanley's building was in the act of doing so when arrested. Her story is regarded as "thin," however, as she lived several blocks from the building and had made threats against the proprietors of the store, alleging that they had refused to pay her boy for distributing advertising matter. Whether guilty or not, she occupies a cell in Mr. Morrissey's boarding house.

The La Salle Co. Teachers' Institute. Will be held at the High School building in Ottawa, on Friday and Saturday next, May 4 and 5. Friday forenoon will be spent in visiting the Ottawa city schools and the township high school. For the balance of Friday and Saturday the following program has been prepared:

FRIDAY, P. M.  
1:30 Music—Yachting Glee.  
O. T. H. S. Glee Club.  
Manual Training and the Common School.  
Geo. P. Brown, Editor Illinois School Journal.  
Discussion.  
Music—Hunting Chorus.  
O. T. H. S. Glee Club.  
J. P. Yoder.

3:00 Geography—Principles and Purposes.  
Discussion.  
6:00 Teachers' Reception.  
8:00 Music—Duet—(singing), Mendelssohn.  
Mrs. Blanchard and Miss McNaught.  
Address of Welcome.  
Hon. Duncan McDougall.  
Brief Response—The President.  
Music—Solo—The Spirit's Song, Haydn.  
Miss Olive Harrison.  
Lecture—Poverty and Wealth in Education.  
Homer Bevans.  
The executive committee will meet in the parlors of the Clifton House promptly after the lecture. All are invited to meet with the committee.

SATURDAY, A. M.  
9:00 Music—O. T. H. S. Glee Club.  
The Purpose and Preservation of Manuscript Work.  
John Bigham.  
Discussion.  
10:30 Music—Hail to Our Beautiful Queen.  
Glee Club.  
Scientific Temperance in Public Schools: How and Why?  
Miss Mary Allen West, National Supt. W. C. T. U. School of Methods.  
Discussion.

Citizens generally, and especially school officers, are cordially invited to attend and participate in the deliberations.

O'Neill's Murders.

After two days of laborious investigation, with a determination to probe the matter to the bottom, the coroner's jury in the O'Neill murder case at Streator returned a verdict holding Mike Szabo, as principle, and also another Mike Szabo, John Schocky, Andrew Alliva, John Mulatoris, and Andrew Szabo, as accessories, for murder.

Every evasion and distortion possible was used by the witnesses to throw the jury off the track and mislead them from the true facts; but despite their strenuous efforts, Mike Szabo, brother of Andrew, was identified as the man who arose from the body of O'Neill after the latter had been knocked down and received his death wound. A short time before the fight occurred, O'Neill and his partner O'Grady, had gotten into trouble with the "Huns" at Andrew Szabo's saloon, but the latter not being certain that his men could "doup" the two Irishmen, sent down to his brother John's saloon, a few blocks away, for aid, which was quickly forthcoming, three or four "Huns" responding at once to the appeal.

As soon as five minutes O'Neill was menaced, and the brute continued to rain kicks upon his insensible partner.

The six Hungarians are safely enclosed behind the bars of "Murderer's Row," in the County Jail. They are villainous looking wretches, only one being able to speak the English language. Hardly had they stepped within the bars, when Attorney H. N. Ryan, of Streator, applied to Judge Stipp for a writ of habeas corpus for John Schocky, John Mulatoris, Andrew Alliva, and Andrew Szabo. The application will probably be heard to-day.

The Joliet Council has finally passed the Santa Fe Railroad ordinance and that line will now proceed to build their depot, construct their bridges and get ready for business.

### The Courts.

#### Circuit Court.

The case of Denis Fielding, of Streator, against Solomon W. Egbert, the contractor, and Ralph Plumb, his bondman, to recover damages on an alleged breach of contract, occupied the time of the court from Tuesday of last week until Saturday, when the jury returned a verdict of \$1,800 against Egbert and Plumb. The contract entered into provided for a \$5,000 building to be completed and delivered in good order. The front wall fell in shortly after its completion, and Egbert rebuilt it, but the building is alleged to have settled afterward so that it was unsafe for occupancy.

In the racing season of 1887, Wm. Baxter trained and drove Ottawa Maid, then owned by James F. Moore, and, according to his allegation, was empowered by the latter to sell the mare at the end of the season for \$800. His contract with Moore was that he should stand all the expense of the campaign, dividing the profits with him. At the end of the season Baxter sold the mare to Wm. Walsh, and tendered the purchase money to Moore, but the latter refused to accept, saying that he had never empowered Baxter to sell the mare and got a writ of replevin, recovering the animal.

The case came to trial, and after much swearing by both parties, the jury came to the conclusion yesterday morning that Baxter had a contract, and Moore will be forced to accept the \$800 or appeal.

Dismissed—J. W. Penfield et al. vs. Emerson Hakes.

Motion—The Licensing Rubber Co. vs. Henry G. Werner et al., defendants to appealate et al. The People vs. Saml. Raymond et al., amended declaration filed, Great Western Tel. Co. vs. D. S. Shipman, demurrer to defendant's second plea overruled.

Same vs. D. H. Slagle, demurrer to defendant's second and third pleas overruled. Same vs. Alex. Bruce, same action. Same vs. Alex. Vaughn, same action.

Chancery—Bowen Hill vs. John R. Keenan et al., decree of foreclosure for \$4,071.80. Patrick Conley vs. Maria Haskins, master's report approved; decree foreclosure \$1,031. Henrietta Hewcke vs. same; decree of foreclosure for \$2,382.75. George M. Murphy vs. Mary Morrissey et al., decree for \$102.71.

#### County Court.

Herman Fox and Morris Lackman, doing business in Streator under the firm name of Herman Fox & Co., filed a voluntary assignment in the county court on Tuesday. They were clothiers and had been in the business about two years. The liabilities amount to between \$15,000 and \$20,000, while the assets are decidedly nominal.

New Cases—P. Meagher vs. Lucy D. Dean; appeal from Justice Larkin's court. Moloney & Stead, attys.

Judgments—John Brundage vs. Henry Boyd et al., judgment by conf. for pif., \$611.20. Condemnation—The Santa Fe Road has instituted proceedings against Catherine P. Smith to gain the right of way through her land in Streator. The summons is returnable May 8. W. Reeves, atty.

#### Probate Court.

Monday was claim day, and the wild, free yodels from Streator, the calm and dispassionate denizens of blithful Marcellus, and the blizzard-like evolutionists of La Salle met and jostled each other in the sacred precincts of Helms's office.

The most important case of the week was the probate of the will of John Lomoney, of Streator, which will invoice between \$25,000 and \$30,000.

Judgments—Nelson Clark vs. est of Peter Peterson, decd, for pif., \$118.65. William O. Ensign vs. est of John Sullivan, decd, for pif., \$10. Chicago & Erie Stevedore Co. vs. est of Bartholomew Denny, decd, for pif., \$40. Daniel Davis vs. est of Thomas Palmer, decd, for pif., \$224.80. Samuel Haycock vs. est of same, for pif., \$600. Thomas Pattinger vs. est of Anna Klein, decd, for pif., \$20. M. Young vs. same, for pif., \$30. Thomas R. Lyon vs. est of E. H. Graves, decd, for pif., \$237.68. F. M. Patterson vs. same, for pif., \$62.61. F. E. Stewart vs. same, for pif., \$19. J. C. Ames vs. same, for pif., \$128.17. M. Hannifan vs. est of Thomas Barney, decd, for pif., \$10. Seth C. Earl Post, G. A. R. vs. same, for pif., \$434.21. R. M. Garrison vs. same, for pif., \$155.29. Ellen Crotty vs. est of Mathias Crotty, decd, for pif., \$100. Hapeman & Graham vs. est Barney, decd, for pif., \$86.12. City of La Salle vs. est of Lydia Spaulding, for pif., \$100. Kate Anderson vs. same, for pif., \$70. Lyman Anderson vs. same, for pif., \$51.50. O. S. Stewart vs. est of William Moore, decd, for pif., \$39. George Gilbert vs. est of Elizabeth Jones, decd, for pif., \$25. Bridget German vs. est of Margaret Hoey, decd, for pif., \$9.50. J. R. Walters vs. est of Christ. Eldering, decd, for pif., \$8.28. George Gilbert vs. est of Boeter Gilbert, decd, for pif., \$25.

Letters—Of administration, issued to Dennis Fielding in est of John W. Galloway, decd; to Ira Schofield and Elijah Brickett, in est of Jasper P. Scofield, decd; to R. C. Hitt, in est of Wallace L. Scott, decd. Testamentary issued to Eliza J. Gillen, in est of Jas. Gillen, decd. Of administration to Ida L. Hasen in est of D. C. Hasen, decd; with will annexed to N. J. Carey in est of Diadama Collins, decd. Testamentary issued to Anna M. Lomoney in est of John Lomoney, decd. Of administration issued to Winfield Hargrave in est of Richard Hargrave, decd; with will annexed to Otelle Kutch in est of Paul Boehme, decd.

Petitions—To make examination of estate in conserv of John Kilmer; to sell real estate in est of John Baars; to invest funds in estate of C. B. Bradford, minor.

Reports—Final and discharge of guardian of Geo. A. Kline. Final as to Caroline Hebel, minor, in estate of Hebel minors. Of sale of real estate in est of Wm B. Magee. Final and discharge of Elizabeth Magee as guardian of Walter H. Magee. Supplemental final in est of Edwin Moore. Of sale of real estate in est of Chas B. Amster.

Miscellaneous—Rule on John Forrestal, executor estate of Keran Maddocks, to show cause why he had not satisfied the claim of Thos. Paree. Co-partnership inventory in estate of Henry C. Stevens, decd partner of Hoffman, approved. Will of Hamilton M. Gallagher admitted to probate.

#### In the County Office.

License to marry has been issued to John Broscheid and Christine Kireis, John Gettler and Louise Letette, William Hall and Margaret Honzwell, Thomas Fioniska and Sadie A. Mohan, Gustave Lehmann and Minnie Pittner, Irene Palmer and Tilda Green, Frank Bausberg and Dora Weiland, Michael J. Fleming and Bridget Gahan, Charles Koford and Anne Peterson, Dennis Cornell and Annie Quinn, James Clark and Jennett Knap, Albert McDonald and Theresa B. Inglesby, William Gage and Frankie B. Hew, Toner T. McMahon and Bridget M. Quinn, John Dolak and Susie Kallar, Harry Boucher and Lizzie Brennan, George Eddy and Elizabeth Bell, August R. Thierman and Ernestine Ristan, John M. Kaiser and Emma Betting, Frank Dickenson and Orissa Holcomb, William Empey and Emma Schrader.

RECORDED'S OFFICE.  
One hundred and eighteen instruments were filed during the week ending April 25.

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Of these 69 were deeds, 23 mortgages, and the remainder releases, certificates, etc. Amount of deeds over \$1,000, \$39,000. Amount of mortgages over \$1,000, 7,000.

Deeds over mortgages, \$32,000. Among the deeds of consequence are: Emma Weinheim to George W. Dennis, lot 13 and 14 of 80 acres of lot 8 in blk 52, La Salle. John Cooper to Peter Wood, 1/2 321 feet, lot 9, blk 39, Streator, pif., \$1,000.

Capitola Hunter to Annie Bryant, lot 12, blk 8, Villa Park add to Streator, \$1,400. George L. Lindley et al. to C. Ida Bawman, lots 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 74